Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1-56. (canceled)

57. (previously presented) A container comprising a base, four side walls and a top, the side walls having ducts therein through which gas can flow,

wherein the gas moves up an adjacent pair of said side walls and down an opposing adjacent pair of side walls to form a pair of pathways, the pair of pathways crossing each other at the top without intersection of the pathways.

58. (previously presented) A container comprising a base, a plurality of side walls and a top, at least some of the side walls having ducts therein through which gas can flow, wherein the gas moves up all side walls to the top, the top being apertured so that the gas returns to the base through the body of the container.

59. (previously presented) A container as claimed in claim 58 wherein four side walls are provided.

60. (previously presented) A container as claimed in claim 58 wherein at least two side walls include such ducts.

61. (previously presented) A container comprising a base, a plurality of side walls and a top, at least some of the side walls having ducts therein through which gas can flow, the side walls containing apertures on the inner face of the wall through which gas can pass through the body of the container to the base, or to apertures in an opposite side, and the apertures being smaller towards the bottom end in use of the walls and larger towards the top end of the walls in use.

62. (previously presented) A container comprising a base, a plurality of side walls, and a top, at least some of the side walls having ducts therein through which gas can flow and gas moving means provided in the base of the container, to move gas from the base to the ducts in at least one side wall and to draw gas from at least one side wall to the base.

63. (previously presented) A container comprising:

a base, four side walls and a top, there being ducts within the base, the side walls and the top, and

a gas moving device arranged to direct gas through said side walls into said top, and through said side walls into said base.

64. (previously presented) A container as claimed in claim 63 wherein the gas is directed up two side walls and down two side walls.

65. (previously presented) A container as claimed in claim 63, wherein two separate gas paths are provided.

66. (previously presented) A container as claimed in claim 63 wherein the gas moving means is provided in the base or top and directs the gas to side walls and receives gas from two side walls.

67. (previously presented) A container as claimed in claim 63 wherein the top includes two chambers or sets of ducts, gas in one gas path passing through one chamber or set of ducts and gas in another gas path passing through the other.

68. (previously presented) A container as claimed in claim 63 wherein the base provides a gas receiving chamber and a gas supplying chamber, the gas moving device, moving gas from the gas receiving chamber to the gas supplying chamber.

69. (previously presented) A container as claimed in claim 63 wherein the top is made from fluted cardboard and the walls are made from fluted cardboard.

70. (previously presented) A container as claimed in claim 63 wherein base chambers are formed by a first tray open at two side walls, and a second tray open to the other two side walls.

71. (previously presented) A container as claimed in claim 63 wherein the base is mounted on a pallet.

72. (previously presented) A container as claimed in claim 63 at least the sides and top are insulated at least on the outer surface.

73. (previously presented) A method of maintaining the temperature of or cooling a container having a top, a bottom, and a plurality of side walls comprising the steps of:

directing a first flow of gas at the desired temperature up or down through one sidewall of the container and allowing the gas to return down or up through another side wall, and

directing a second flow of gas at the desired temperature up or down through yet another sidewall of the container and allowing the gas to return down or up through still yet another side wall,

wherein the first flow of gas and second flow of gas are through side walls selected so that the first flow of gas and second flow of gas are separate in the walls.

74. (previously presented) A method as claimed in claim 64 wherein the gas moves up two side walls and down two side walls.

75. (previously presented) A method as claimed in claim 64 wherein the top has two ducts so that the first flow of gas and second flow of gas are also separate in the top.

76-77. (canceled)